## INTERNATIONAL FULBRIGHT SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FELLOWSHIP

The U.S. Embassy in Vilnius is pleased to announce the opening of the worldwide competition for the 2010 International Fulbright Science and Technology Award for outstanding foreign students. The award is among the most prestigious international scholarships in science and technology.

The International Fulbright Science and Technology award is for Ph.D. study at top U.S. institutions in science, technology, or engineering for academic year 2009-2010. Approximately 40 awards will be competed worldwide for candidates who demonstrate unique aptitude and innovation in scientific fields.

Eligible fields include: aeronautics and astronomics/aeronautical engineering, agriculture (theoretical or research based only including entomology, plant biology, plant pathology, and soil sience), astronomy/planetary sciences, biology, biomedical engineering, chemistry, computer sciences/engineering, energy, engineering (electrical, chemical, civil, mechanical, ocean, and petroleum), environmental science/engineering, geology/earth and atmospheric sciences, information sciences and systems (engineering focus only), materials science/engineering, mathematics, neuroscience/brain and cognitive sciences, oceanography, public health (theoretical research focus only) and physics.

A brief description of each field of study is available at http://foreign.fulbrightonline.org/scienceandtech.)

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must apply through the U.S. Embassy Public Affairs Section in Vilnius. Applicants must have completed an undergraduate degree before August 1, 2010, and be proficient in English with a recent TOEFL score (or equivalent) of 580 or higher. A GRE General Exam score report is requested for nominees prior to presentation of applications to U.S. screening committees. A nominee is expected to achieve a quantitative score of at least 700. (Note: a GRE Subject Exam score report will also be needed for all selected candidates in the following fields of study: biology; biochemistry, cell, and molecular biology; chemistry; computer science; mathematics; and physics.) Test vouchers for exams will be provided for all nominees. Nominees should be registered for exams as soon as possible in order to ensure that test scores can be sent to IIE by August 1, 2009.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES: Each applicant will be required to submit an online application at https://apply.embark.com/student/fulbright/international along with all

supporting documents. Please also forward application supplemental materials to the U.S. Embassy Public Affairs Section at Akmenų gatvė 7, LT-03106 Vilnius by **June 1**, **2009**.

The online application for 2010-2011 is available now and must be completed by June 1, 2009. A complete application includes:

- a clearly written research objective
- a professional resume
- Three letters of reference (submitted electronically and attached to the online application or official paper copies sent by mail)
- Official academic transcripts from each post-secondary institution attended (or scanned and attached to the online application; official paper transcripts should also be sent at a later date)
- Score reports (as soon as available but prior to U.S. screening committee review)
- TOEFL or IELTS or other English language proficiency exam (when required)
- General GRE exam
- GRE Subject exam (if applicable and available)

FUNDING: All grantees receive tuition, a monthly stipend for up to 36 months, health and accident coverage, a book and equipment allowance, professional conference allowance, travel support, and specially tailored enrichment activities, and are eligible to apply for additional research funding. After three years, U.S. universities will be expected to cover the remaining expenses toward completion of a Ph.D.

U.S. UNIVERSITY PLACEMENT: The Institute of International Education (IIE) will be responsible for placement of all Fulbright Science and Technology Award recipients. IIE will work closely with the recipients to ensure the best placement available for field of study and research interests.

If you have any additional questions, please send an email to Rasa Baukuviene at baukuviener@state.gov.